

Beer Board
Meeting/ Public Hearing
November 20, 2013, 1:00 PM

APPROVED
1-22-14

RE: Whiteway Grill Paul Johnson 7317 Highway 19E Roan Mountain, TN 37687	Tennessee Tavern and Grill Georgia Ann Crowell 813 Highway 321 Hampton, TN 37658
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Members Present: Tom Bowers, Jo Ann Blankenship, Lawrence Hodge, Steve Chambers,
Bobbie Gouge-Dietz, Scott Sams.

Others in attendance included: Paul Johnson, Georgia Ann Crowell, Attorney Keith Bowers, Jr.,
Commissioner John Lewis, Leon Humphrey, County Mayor, Sheriff Chris Mathes, news
media and concerned citizens.

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Tom Bowers. Roll call, Quorum Present.

Motion was made by Steve Chambers, seconded by Lawrence Hodge to accept the minutes of the
last meeting, October 23, 2013 as printed. By majority voice vote, all ayes, motion carried.

Old Business

*Whiteway Grill – Paul Johnson
7317 Highway 19E
Roan Mountain TN 37687*

Paul Johnson – Whiteway Grill approached the Board to be considered for a On/Off premises
Beverage Permit.

Chairman Bowers then confirmed that a lease agreement had been presented from the Lessor, Charles
W. Pritchard and Paul Johnson, Lessee/Business Owner and placed on record.

Meeting was recessed to enter into a:

Public Hearing to consider an application from Paul Johnson - Whiteway Grill.

Commissioner John Lewis questioned if a lease agreement was required as stated by the law, or does he
(Mr. Pritchard) have to own the building.

Attorney Bowers replied that the deed in the property owners name was leased to Mr. Johnson.
Business License was noted as being in Mr. Paul Johnson's name as well.

No other questions were presented, therefore Chairman Bowers closed the Public Hearing and the
meeting was called back to order.

Chairman Bowers noted that Mr. Paul Johnson met all the required criteria for applying for a beer
permit and called for a roll call vote as follows:

Ayes: Tom Bowers, JoAnn Blankenship, Steve Chambers, Bobbie Gouge-Dietz, and Scott Sams.
(5 Ayes)

Nay: Lawrence Hodge (1 Nay)

Vote being 5 ayes, 1 nay, Chairman Bowers stated that the Beer Permit had been granted.

It was noted that a motion to approve or deny the permit for Whiteway Grill – Paul Johnson, had not been received, therefore Chairman Bowers called for a motion, (to clarify the approval or denial) of the request from Whiteway Grill – Paul Johnson.

Motion was made by Steve Chambers, seconded by Jo Ann Blankenship **to approve a request from Paul Johnson – Whiteway Grill for Beverage Permit for On/Off sales.**

Roll Call Vote as follows:

Ayes: Tom Bowers, Jo Ann Blankenship, Steve Chambers, Bobbie Gouge-Dietz, and Scott Sams.
(5 Ayes)

Nays: Lawrence Hodge (1 Nay)

Vote being 5 ayes, 1 nay, **motion to approve request carried.**

Beverage Permit # 98 was issued/granted to Whiteway Grill – Paul Johnson this the 20th day of November 2013.

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*Tennessee Tavern and Grill – Georgia Ann Crowell
813 Highway 321
Hampton, TN 37658*

Georgia Ann Crowell – Tennessee Tavern and Grill approached the Board to be considered for an On/Off Premises Beverage Permit.

Chairman Bowers questioned Ms. Crowell concerning a lease agreement with Mr. Dexter Hicks, Landlord. Ms. Crowell replied that she did have an agreement and presented it to Chairman Bowers. She also noted that a copy was on file in the Clerk's Office as well.

Chairman Bowers asked Ms. Crowell if the establishment, Tennessee Tavern, intended to have Adult Entertainment as rumored. Ms. Crowell replied “no, it is not.” this was incorrect.

Chairman Bowers asked Ms. Crowell if she was aware that Adult Entertainment at the establishment would be a violation which would be cause for an injunction, and licenses would be revoked. “Yes Sir” Ms. Crowell replied, “I would not even consider such an establishment.”

Other questions from the Board included the following.

Scott Sams asked the hours of operation. Ms. Crowell replied that they would be Monday thru Thursday 10:00 AM to 11:00 PM or midnight and on Friday and Saturday's 10:00 AM to midnight or about 1:00 AM. She stated that they had intention to opened to serve lunch.

Chairman Bowers asked for a Roll Call Vote on the motion to **deny the request for a On/Off Premises Beverage Permit for Tennessee Tavern and Grill – Georgia Ann Crowell, due to the facts, testimony presented, and the record as a whole.**

Roll Call Vote as follows:


Ayes: Jo Ann Blankenship, Bobbie Gouge-Dietz, Lawrence Hodge and Scott Sams. (4 Ayes)

Nays: Tom Bowers, and Steve Chambers (2 Nays)

Vote being 4 Ayes, 2 Nays, motion to **deny request was approved.**

Motion to adjourn was made by Steve Chambers, seconded by Lawrence Hodge. By majority voice vote, all ayes, meeting adjourned at 2:22 PM.

Patsy H. Lewis, Recording Secretary

Tom Bowers, Chairman 

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